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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, the attached form and document(s) indicate information of which the applicant has recently become aware and which may be relevant to the above-identified application.

The information is in the form references that have been cited in a Search Report issued by the French Patent Office, which is a foreign counterpart application to the present application.

A copy of the French Patent Office Search Report, which cites seven (7) references therein, is enclosed. Copies of any non-U.S. citations are also enclosed with this submission.

The fact that this information was cited in a counterpart foreign application and the French Patent Office Search Report provided herewith satisfy the requirement for a brief explanation of relevance of the citations, as noted in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, MPEP § 609.

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Signed,



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Date: October 27, 2005

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